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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT-ELECT FROM THE
HONOURABLE JOSEPH PARRY, PREMIER OF THE NEVIS ISLAND ADMINISTRATION

REF: STATE 118192

¶1. Embassy Bridgetown received a fax from Saint Christopher and Nevis's Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Note No. 777/2008), which included a letter from the Premier of the Nevis Island Administration containing a congratulatory message for President-Elect Barack Obama. The complete text of the letter follows in paragraph 2. Post will forward the hard copy of the message when it is received.

¶2. Begin text of letter:

5 November 2008

Hon Barack Obama
President Elect of the United States of America

Dear President Elect:

On behalf of the people of Nevis, the Government and my own behalf, it is indeed a pleasure to convey best wishes to you, your family, your campaign team and the citizens of the United States, on your victory at the polls thus becoming the forty-fourth President of your country.

As you celebrate this landmark occasion in the history of your country, I pray for continued strength as well as prosperity for the people of your country in these challenging and unpredictable times.

I am confident that your elevation to the lofty position as leader of the free world will positively impact the citizens of Nevis, the Caribbean and the Diaspora. Congratulations sir and thank you for what you have done for the African Diaspora and indeed the world.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely

Hon. Joseph W Parry
Premier

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End Text.

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